

# Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley

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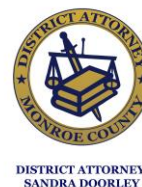
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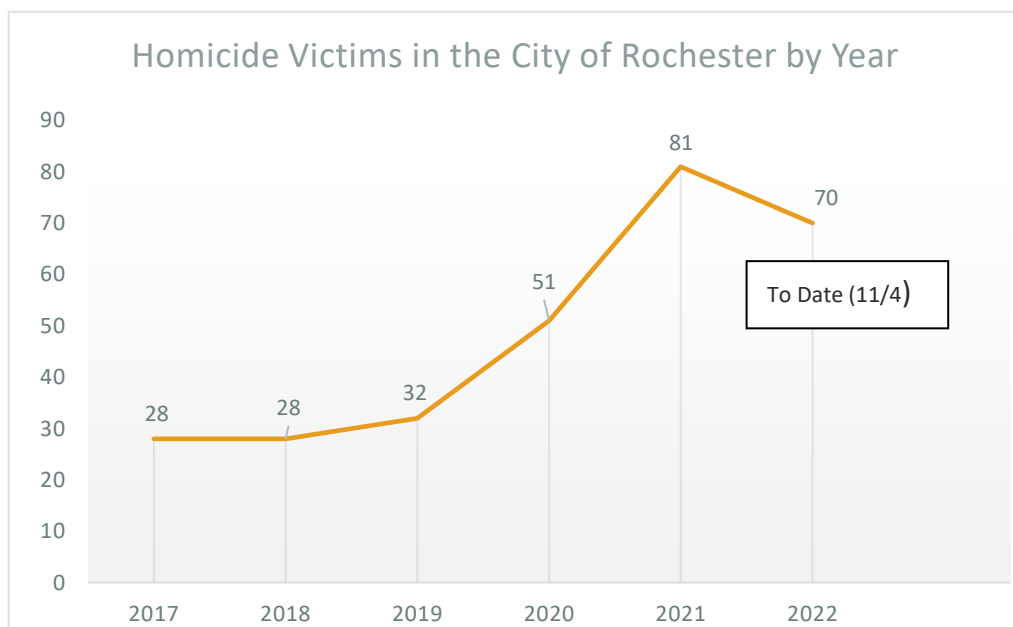
Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

### Message from Sandra Doorley

*There is no denying the data*

*Monroe County is on pace to meet last year's devastating record number of homicides. The last two years of homicides and gun violence were not outliers as we had hoped, but a threatening trend that continues every day.*

*What does the data show?*



*After years of comparable homicide numbers in the City of Rochester, the number of homicides drastically increased. But these are more than numbers, these are people. So far this year in the City of Rochester, 70 people lost their lives. 70 families were torn apart. It breaks my heart that we are on pace to meet, if not exceed, last year's record numbers.*

## Homicide Update

So far in 2022:

City of Rochester Total:  
70

Monroe County Total: 73

## Monroe County Heroin Task Force Update

September 2022

Total Reported ODs: 48

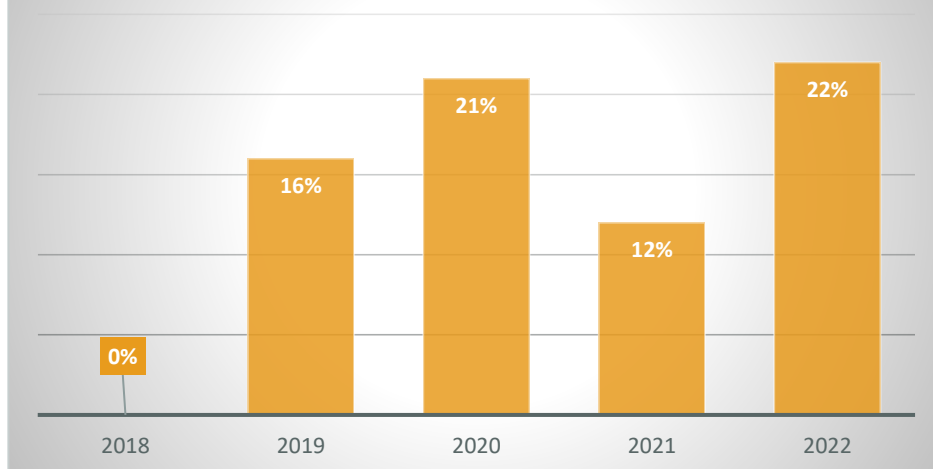
Total Fatalities: 4

Year To Date 2022

Total Reported ODs: 453

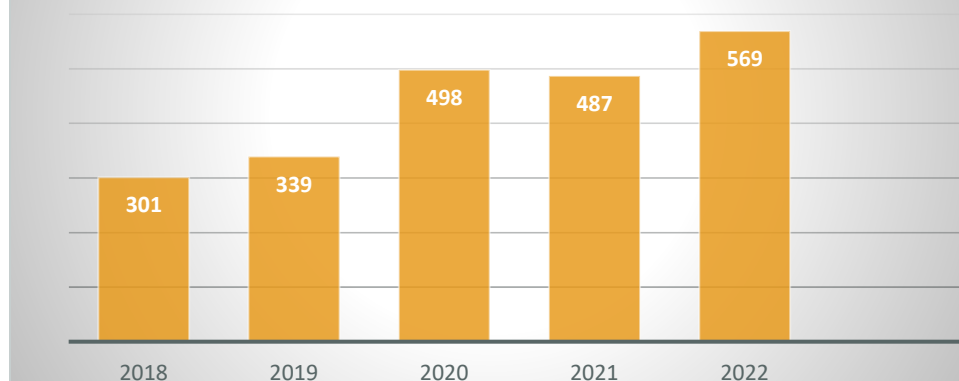
Total Fatalities: 97

### Homicide Victims Killed by Parolees



*So far this year, 22% of homicide victims were killed by an offender on parole.*

### Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd Arrests\*



Year	CPW 2 <sup>nd</sup> Arrests*	Released at Arraignment W/ Non-Monetary Conditions	Bail set in an amount of \$5,000 or less
2018	301	3%	25%
2019	339	7%	35%
2020	498	33%	63%
2021	487	17%	35%
2022	569	17%	30%

*\*These are CPW 2<sup>nd</sup> Arrests not involved in homicides as of 10/31/22*

*In 2022 so far, 83% of the homicides involved illegally possessed firearms. The remaining 17% of the homicides involved knives or another instrument. Not one of these homicides was committed by a legally owned gun.*

*As of 10/31/22, this County has seen an unprecedented number of arrests for Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, which is a straightforward, illegal firearm possession charge. If this trend continues, we could see close to 700 arrests this year.*

*Although we have seen some improvement in setting bail since the disastrous year of 2020, 17% of these violent offenders are still being released with non-monetary conditions. This is 100 individuals charged with CPW 2<sup>nd</sup> without monetary conditions to ensure their return to court.*

*Numbers don't lie. While correlation does not equal causation, we cannot ignore what is happening in our city and our state. We will continue to collect and share data. There is no denying the numbers.*

*Sandra*

## Highlights from the MCDA's Office

**Nicholas Deleon** was sentenced by Monroe County Supreme Court Justice Argento to 20 Years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, three counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and two counts of Attempted Aggravated Murder of a Police Officer for the murder of Christian Santiago and the attempted murder of Rochester Police Officers. On October 20, 2021, Nicholas Deleon shot and killed his Girlfriend's son, 19-year-old Christian Santiago. Following the murder, he fled the victim's home. The next day, October 21, 2021, while attempting to evade arrest, he fired multiple shots at Rochester Police Officers. He was taken into custody shortly after firing the shots due to the bravery of those Rochester Police Officers. This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner, of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

The jury trial of **William Crenshaw** and **Raymond Dukes** will continue into next week. These two are charged with Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the murder of Tim Lewis, and various kidnapping charges for the kidnapping of multiple victims. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Rachel Clark, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Kelly Pettrone, of the Felony DWI Bureau.

A Monroe County Jury convicted **Carlos Machado Garcia** of two counts of Burglary in the Third Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Third Degree, Attempted Grand Larceny in the Third Degree, and Grand Larceny in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree in connection with his possession of two stolen vehicles, break ins at multiple commercial locations across Monroe County, attempted theft of an ATM machine and theft of commercial building supplies. This conviction is the result of thorough investigations from the Rochester Police Department, Greece Police Department, and Monroe County Sheriff's Office. This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney John Marsella of the Public Corruption and Economic Crimes Bureau. Mr. Machado Garcia will be sentenced on December 12, 2022, by Supreme Court Justice Victoria M. Argento.

New York State Supreme Court Justice Thomas E. Moran sentenced 29-year-old **Robert Colon** to 25 years to Life for the murder of Roger Palermo and a consecutive 25 years to Life for the attempted murder, assault, and attempted robbery of a second victim. Robert Colon was previously convicted by a jury of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Attempted Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, four counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, two counts of Attempted Robbery in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, and Attempted Robbery in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree. Robert Colon was convicted for the shooting murder of Roger Palermo and the attempted murder of a second victim, also at gunpoint. On March 30, 2021, Roger Palermo was the unintended victim of a shooting on First Street in the City of Rochester. He was pronounced deceased at Strong Memorial Hospital. On April 20, 2021, a victim was shot during an attempted robbery near Joseph Avenue. Robert Colon was quickly identified and arrested by the Rochester Police Department for the robbery and attempted murder. As the investigation continued, with assistance from the Monroe County Crime Analysis Center and the New York State Division of Parole, Colon was also indicted for the murder of Roger Palermo. The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Bianca D'Angelo, of the Major Felony Bureau and Senior Assistant District Attorney Jessica Wagner, of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

A Monroe County Jury convicted 30-year-old **Jonathan Spinks** of all charges, including Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Attempted Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, two counts of Burglary in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, and five counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the murder of Lysaun Curry and attempted murder of another victim. On October 2, 2020, Rochester Police Officers responded to a house on Trenaman Street in the City of Rochester. 19-year-old Lysaun Curry was found shot 12 times and was pronounced dead at the scene. On October 10, 2020, Jonathan Spinks entered the home of a woman, waited for her to come home, and shot her multiple times. After his arrest for the attempted murder and an extensive investigation by the Rochester Police Department, Jonathan Spinks was also charged for the murder of Lysaun Curry. Both victims were known to Spinks. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Robin Catalano, Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau and Special Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranate, of the Major Felony Bureau.

**James Krauseneck** will be sentenced in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano on Monday, November 7 at 2:45PM. Krauseneck was convicted of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the ax murder of his wife, Cathleen Krausenck, in 1982. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Constance Patterson, of the Special Victims Unit.

## Farewell, Amanda!

Today marks the last day for Assistant District Attorney Amanda Balling, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Unit. Amanda has prosecuted some of the most heart wrenching and difficult cases that come through the office. She is a role model, a phenomenal trial attorney, and advocate for victims, especially for the children who are often in the most vulnerable states of their lives. Amanda has made this office better and she will be deeply missed!



## First Responders Day

Friday, October 28, was First Responders Day. District Attorney Sandra Doorley joined partners in government and law enforcement for the dedication ceremony of the First Responders Circle at the Civic Center Plaza. The circle includes the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Fallen Officers Monument, the Rochester Police Department Fallen Officers Monument and Rochester Fire Department Fallen Firefighters Monument. In a year where Monroe County has lost multiple first responders, including Rochester Police Officer Anthony Mazurkiewicz, this dedication was more important than ever.



## Happy Halloween

Various departments in the Monroe County District Attorney's Office held lunchtime celebrations for Halloween! The Major Felony Bureau and administrative staff held a spooky potluck and the staff in the Local Courts Bureau held a chili cook-off! Congratulations to winner Sherry Crandall for her winning Buffalo Chicken Chili!



## MCDA in the News

<https://www.whec.com/top-news/man-headed-to-prison-for-murder-attempted-murder/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-sentenced-for-murder-and-attempted-murder>

<https://www.whec.com/local/nicholas-deleon-sentenced-20-years-to-life-for-killing-19-year-old/>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/rochester/deleon-sentenced-for-rochester-murder-shooting-at-rpd-officers/>

<https://wham1180.iheart.com/content/2022-11-03-man-sentenced-for-murder/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-convicted-of-murder-and-attempted-murder-from-2020>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/crime/spinks-convicted-of-two-2020-rochester-murders/>

<https://wham1180.iheart.com/content/2022-10-28-rochester-man-convicted-in-ambush-style-killing/>



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